

APPROVED: Meeting No. 26-96

ATTEST: *Paula Jewell*

MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND  
Meeting No. 16-96

April 15, 1996

The Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, convened in Public Hearing in the Council Chamber, Rockville City Hall, 111 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, Maryland, on April 15, 1996, at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Rose G. Krasnow

Councilmember Robert E. Dorsey

Councilmember James T. Marrinan

Councilmember Glennon J. Harrison

Councilmember Robert J. Wright

In attendance: Rick Kuckkahn, City Clerk Paula Jewell and City Attorney Paul Glasgow.

Mayor Krasnow announced that the Public Hearing dealt with two applications filed in relation to the proposed development of the King Farm. Because both applications were related to the proposed development, the Mayor and Council decided to hear both matters as a single public hearing. The Mayor noted that many persons had signed up to speak on the two separate issues and extra time to present testimony would be given for those persons who needed it.

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Re: Public Hearing - Text  
Amendment Application TXT95-  
0154, Helios/Towle, LLC  
Applicant.

The Mayor and Council conducted a Public Hearing on a Text Amendment to amend the Zoning Ordinance to change the record plat procedures within Comprehensive Planned Developments (CPD) and alter the parking and loading requirements for certain CPD applications. The Mayor and Council heard all those persons wishing to testify as can be found in the official stenographic transcript. Mayor Krasnow declared the Public Hearing closed, with the record to remain open until close of business on May 13, 1996.

Re: Comprehensive Planned  
Development Application  
CPD95-0002, Helios/Towle,  
LLC Applicant.

The Mayor and Council conducted a Public Hearing on a Comprehensive Planned Development Application to develop the 430-acre King Farm with 3,200 housing units, 125,000 sq. ft. of neighborhood retail, and approximately 3 million sq. ft. of commercial development. The Mayor and Council heard all those persons wishing to testify as can be found in the official stenographic transcript. Mayor Krasnow declared the Public Hearing closed, with the record to remain open until close of business on May 13, 1996.

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Re: Citizens Forum

There being no citizens wishing to address the Mayor and Council, this portion of the meeting was declared closed.

Re: FYI/Correspondence

1. Councilmember Wright noted that the winter blizzard had a large effect on the budgets of a number of homeowner associations as well as on the City. He congratulated staff for coordinating the process to request reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Staff submitted a request for \$77,786.03 and it is expected that the City could receive 75% of that request (\$58,339.52).

2. Councilmember Marrinan commented on a Resolution recently adopted by the Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors. The resolution sets forth regional recommendations on public health and potential water-borne diseases. Mr. Marrinan asked that staff look at actions that the City could take to inform residents of the potential problem.

3. Councilmember Marrinan noted that the COG Board of Directors also took action on the Red Light Running Campaign. This was in follow-up to last year's effort, however, the Campaign this year focused on public education and police enforcement. COG received a \$25,000 grant from the Federal Highway Administration to help publicize the Campaign which will be undertaken in April-May. Mr. Marrinan said that experts testifying before the COG Board reported that one-fourth of all automobile accidents are

related to not observing traffic signals, and the cost to society was estimated at seven billion dollars a year and did not include the emotional trauma associated with the injuries. Mr. Marrinan said it was worth re-emphasizing the importance of observing red traffic lights, and he said that everyone needed to be more cognizant of the problem.

Mayor Krasnow concurred with Councilmember Marrinan's statement and said that a good friend of hers was killed last Fall at the intersection of Wootton Parkway and Route 355. Ms. Krasnow said that her friend's death, which was caused by a motorist running a red light, left two teenage boys as orphans. Councilmember Marrinan noted that bumper stickers publicizing the Red Light Running Campaign could be obtained from the City's Police Department.

Re: New Business

1. Mayor Krasnow mentioned that the Mayor and Council held their second Walking Town Meeting on April 13 in the West End neighborhood. She said that the weather was great and the walk was a success. Mayor Krasnow expressed appreciation to the many staff members who gave up their Saturday to accompany the Mayor and Council on the walk, and she said staff would be following up on the issues raised during the tour.

2. Councilmember Marrinan commented on the Rockville Baseball Association's opening day on April 13th. He said he was impressed by the hundreds of youngsters who were in attendance as well as the parents and volunteer coaches who participated in this community sport.

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Re: Next Meeting

The Mayor and Council will meet in Worksession on April 16 with the Human Needs and Services Advisory Task Force, to discuss their report on human service needs in the City. The Mayor and Council will also meet with Rockville Arts Place and the Historic District Commission.

Re: Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the Public Hearing adjourned at 11:06 p.m.